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Sir:

1. This is a Request for filing a new Patent Application(☐ Design ☒ Utility) entitled:

2. (Complete) Title:

TEST METHODS, DEVICES AND TEST KITS

without a filing fee or Oath/Declaration but for which is enclosed the following:3. ☒ Abstract 1 page(s).4. 57 Pages of Specification (only spec. and claims); 5. ☐ Specification in non-English language6. 50 Numbered claim(s); and7. ☒ 7 sheet(s) per set; ☐ 1 set informal; 8. ☒ formal of size: ☒ A4 ☐ 11"  
Drawings:9. **DOMESTIC/INTERNATIONAL** priority is claimed under 35 USC 119(e)/120/365(c) based on the following provisional, nonprovisional and/or PCT international application(s):

Application No.	Filing Date	Application No.	Filing Date
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10. **FOREIGN** priority is claimed under 35 USC 119(a)-(d)/365(b) based on filing in United Kingdom

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(1) 9807134.3	April 2, 1998	(2)	
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(5)		(6)	

11. 1 (No.) Certified copy (copies): ☒ attached; ☐ previously filed (date) \_\_\_\_\_  
in U.S. Application No. \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ filed on \_\_\_\_\_12. ☐ This is a reissue of Patent No. \_\_\_\_\_13. ☐ See top first page re prior Provisional, National, International application(s) (X box only if info is there and do not complete corresponding item 14 or 15.)14. ☐ **Amend the specification** by inserting before the first line -- This is a ☐ Continuation-in-Part  
☐ Divisional ☐ Continuation ☐ Substitute Application (MPEP 201.09) of:14(a) ☐ National Appln. No. \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ filed \_\_\_\_\_ -- (M# \_\_\_\_\_)14(b) ☐ International Appln. No. PCT/ \_\_\_\_\_ filed \_\_\_\_\_ which designated the U.S. - -15. ☐ **Amend the specification** by inserting before the first line: --This application claims the benefit of U.S. Provisional Application No. 60/ \_\_\_\_\_, filed \_\_\_\_\_ --16. Extension to date: ☐ concurrently filed ☐ not needed ☐ previously filed

17. ☐ Prior application is assigned to

by Assignment recorded \_\_\_\_\_ Reel \_\_\_\_\_ Frame \_\_\_\_\_

18. ☐ Attached:

19. This application is made by the following named inventor(s)

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